allocated to the TIC in 1994. This figure is based on cost per unit multiplied by the estimated units in place for the year 1992, the revenue requirement underlying the January 1994 Transport Restructuring Tariff Filing. The cost per unit was calculated using the same method as in the Access Reform Tariff Filing, including the same loading and separations factors. U S WEST has added \$1,301,868 in SS7-STP costs since 1994. Workpaper D details these calculations.

Finally, U S WEST did not make any true-ups to SS7 costs due to exogenous cost adjustments in the trunking basket.

VI. U S WEST IS CORRECTING ITS CALCULATIONS OF THE AMOUNT OF CENTRAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT ("COE") MAINTENANCE EXPENSES REMOVED FROM THE TIC; U S WEST'S MARKETING EXPENSES WERE PROPERLY ALLOCATED

The Commission has directed price cap LECs to provide detailed information substantiating the amount of COE maintenance and marketing costs that were removed from the trunking basket, and the portion of that amount that was removed from the TIC.³⁷ In addition, the Commission tentatively concluded that the price cap LECs must allocate these exogenous cost changes to the TIC as it existed on June 30, 1997.³⁸

A. COE Maintenance Expenses

In the Access Reform Tariff Filing, U S WEST directly assigned the trunking component of the COE Maintenance Expense to the TIC. U S WEST subsequently determined that, rather than directly assigning this expense to the TIC, it should

³⁷ <u>Designation Order</u> ¶ 67.

³⁸ <u>Id.</u> ¶ 68.

have been spread to the components within the trunking basket. The effect of this reassignment is shown in Workpaper E. Instead of removing \$11.7 million from the TIC, the revised TIC amount is \$6.1 million, with the remainder spread to the other trunking elements. This reallocation was based on the spread of June 30, 1997 revenues across all products in the trunking basket, including special access.

U S WEST is working with the Commission's staff to file a tariff correction which reflects the proper allocation of this expense across all trunking basket categories, including the TIC.³⁹

USWEST quantified the maintenance expense using its Part 69 model, modified for the Commission's maintenance rule change. The months of July and August 1996 were revised for the rule change and compared to the actual results for these months. USWEST annualized the difference in the maintenance expense and used this amount as the maintenance adjustments to the TIC in its Access Reform Tariff Filing. Rather than resubmitting the voluminous workpapers prepared for that filing, OUSWEST's Workpaper E details a simpler methodology used to determine the maintenance expense reallocation based on the 1996 ARMIS reports. That is the same methodology used by USWEST to model the months of July and August 1996, the basis for its original reallocation.

³⁹ The Commission also tentatively concluded that the AT&T workpaper format for the TIC recalculation effectively illustrates the transport costs that are to be removed from the TIC and the facilities-based portion of the TIC. <u>Designation Order</u> ¶ 90. U S WEST agrees. Thus, its tariff correction will be consistent with the AT&T workpaper format.

⁴⁰ See Workpaper 8 entitled "COE Maintenance" of the Access Reform Tariff Filing.

US WEST allocated Account 6210 Central Office Maintenance Expense to model the Part 69 cost element change based on the distribution of Part 69. Investment in Account 2210, Central Office Switching, in each cost element. Likewise, Account 6220 Operator Services Maintenance Expense was allocated across Part 69 cost elements based on the distribution of Account 2220 Operator Investment in each element. Account 6230 Central Office Circuit Expense was allocated across Part 69 cost elements based on the distribution of 2230 Circuit Equipment Investment in each element. The result using annual ARMIS data is similar to amounts determined using US WEST's Part 69 model based on annualized data from July and August 1996. Line port maintenance expense was removed from the switching element after the above reassignments were completed and added to the common line element for the new line port category. Minor deviations from the original filing are attributed to the method used, that is two months multiplied by six versus the actual expenses from ARMIS.

B. Marketing Expenses

U S WEST used its actual Interstate Marketing Expense, as reported in ARMIS 43-04, to determine the amount of expenses moved to the new Marketing Basket. The total amount of interstate marketing expenses for 1996 was \$112.4 million, less \$440,000 associated with pay-telephone set deregulation.⁴¹

The Commission's rules specify that LECs must recover marketing expenses allocated to the common line and traffic sensitive baskets, and switched access

⁴¹ See ARMIS 43-01, row 1140, column h.

services within the Trunking Basket, in the new Marketing Basket.⁴² U S WEST determined that \$23.9 million of the interstate marketing expense was associated with special access.⁴³ Therefore, the total exogenous adjustment was \$88.1 million (i.e., \$112.4 million minus \$400,000 associated with payphones minus \$6,000 associated with interexchange retail customers minus \$23.9 million associated with special access services). Workpaper 3 of the Access Reform Tariff Filing details these calculations. As shown on page 4 of Workpaper 3, the Trunking Basket adjustments were allocated based on switched access revenues in each category (including the Interconnection Category) as of June 30, 1997. U S WEST's allocation of marketing expenses complies with the requirements of Section 69.156(a) of the Commission's rules, as well as the Commission's holding in the Access Reform Order.⁴⁴

C. Allocation Of Cost Changes To The June 30, 1997 TIC

U S WEST agrees with the Commission's tentative conclusion that trunking cost changes should be reallocated based on the trunking revenues in baskets as they existed prior to July 1, 1997 (i.e., 1996 demand multiplied by the current rate). In fact U S WEST followed that methodology.

^{42 47} C.F.R. §§ 69.156(a) and 61.42(d)(6).

 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 43}}$ See ARMIS 43-01, row 1140, column s.

⁴⁴ 47 C.F.R. §§ 69.156, 61.42(d)(6); see also <u>First Report and Order</u> at ¶ 323 ("With respect to the trunking basket; the exogenous adjustment shall not reflect the amount of any Account 6610 marketing expenses allocated to special access services.").

VII. TANDEM SWITCHED TRANSPORT: ACTUAL MINUTES OF USE ("MOU")

In the Access Reform Order, the Commission directed price cap LECs to begin calculating their Tandem Switched Transport ("TST") rates using the actual average MOU per trunk for that service. Prior to the Access Reform Order, the Commission's rules required the LECs to assume 9,000 MOU per trunk. The Commission expected actual usage to run less than 9,000 MOU per trunk, so that the change would increase TST rates and reduce the TIC. In fact, many LECs (including U S WEST) found that their TST usage exceeds 9,000 MOU (U S WEST's usage averages 11,353 MOU), which reduced TST rates and, based on the workings of the Commission's rules, increased the TIC. In the face of complaints from AT&T and MCI, the Designation Order seeks comment on whether the Commission should allow the LECs who find themselves in this situation to increase their TIC.

In addition, the <u>Designation Order</u> tentatively concludes that the LECs are to recalculate their rates as of 1993 (when the Commission restructured local transport to create the TST and the TIC) using actual MOU and then determine what proportion of the original TIC was attributable to the assumed 9,000 MOU; they must then reassign that portion of the TIC to TST.⁴⁶ The <u>Designation Order</u> seeks comment on that approach.

 $^{^{45}}$ Access Reform Order, 7 Comm. Reg. (P&F) at 1265 \P 206.

⁴⁶ <u>Designation Order</u> ¶ 79.

A. The Commission Must Allow The LECs To Increase Their TIC, If The Use Of Actual MOU Produces That Result

When the Commission ordered the LECs to use actual MOU to calculate their TST rates, it assumed this step would increase the TST rates and reduce the TIC. It did not, however, translate that assumption into a rule or any other directive dictating that the TIC must decrease in all circumstances. The Commission's rules prescribe how the LECs are to calculate the TIC, and those rules tie the level of the TIC to the level of the TST rates. Unless it changes its rules, the Commission cannot prohibit the LECs from increasing their TIC, if the existing rules (which require use of the LECs' actual MOU) produce that result.

Moreover, if the Commission were to prohibit the LECs from increasing their TICs, it must find some other means for the LECs to recover the amounts they have thereby lost. Absent that, the Commission would effectively disallow a portion of the LECs' revenue requirement with no findings (and no evidence) of unreasonableness.

B. The Methodology Proposed In The Designation Order To Recalculate TST And TIC Rates Is Consistent With The Access Reform Order

As noted, the <u>Designation Order</u> seeks comment on a methodology to recalculate TST rates using actual MOU. So long as the Commission applies that methodology equally to LECs whose actual usage exceeds 9,000 MOU, as well as to

those whose usage is below that figure, U S WEST believes the methodology adequately performs the necessary adjustment.⁴⁷

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The <u>Designation Order</u> instructs the LECs to recalculate their TST and TIC rates as described in paragraph 79 of the <u>Designation Order</u>. Workpaper G provides that recalculation

C. TST Rates Include The Cost Of Multiplexers

The <u>Designation Order</u> rejects a contention by BellSouth that the reinitialization of TST rates included the cost of providing multiplexers, though it seeks comment on that issue.⁴⁸

As a matter of history, the <u>Designation Order</u> is mistaken. The provision of TST service requires the use of two multiplexers on the end-office side of the tandem switch, one at the tandem and one at the end office. Since 1993, when the Commission created the TST rate structure, price cap LECs have included the cost of one DS3-DS1 multiplexer in developing TST rates. Indeed, the Commission's <u>Local Transport Restructure Order</u> required the LECs to "include the multiplexing equipment needed to interconnect DS3 transmission facilities with the end office switch." The LECs have recovered the cost of the second multiplexer in the TIC.

⁴⁷ U S WEST also agrees with the tentative conclusion in the <u>Designation Order</u> (¶ 78) that price cap LECs should not recalculate their TST rates pursuant to Section 69.111(c) of the Commission's rules.

 $^{^{48}}$ Designation Order ¶ 80.

⁴⁹ In the Matter of Transport Rate Structure and Pricing, Petition for Waiver of the Transport Rules filed by GTE Service Corporation, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 7 FCC Rcd. 7006, 7037 n.113 (1992).

The Access Reform Order required the LECs to establish a new rate element (Common Transport Multiplexing) to recover the cost of one DS3-DS1 multiplexer on the end-office side of the tandem switch. ⁵⁰ Because the provision of TST requires another such multiplexer at the end office itself, the LECs reasonably assumed they were to continue to recover the cost of that second multiplexer in TST rates, as they always have. Thus, when it created the CT Multiplexer rate element, U S WEST removed the cost of a multiplexer from the TIC; the cost of the original multiplexer remains in its TST rates.

The summary rejection of this position in the <u>Designation Order</u> is thus puzzling, in that it ignores the prior treatment of multiplexers and gives no consideration to how the LECs should recover these costs. Nor can there be any substantial question that this second multiplexer is essential to the provision of TST service.

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The <u>Designation Order</u> asks the LECs to demonstrate that the weighted average of DS1 and DS3 rates is affected by the multiplexers at the tandem switch. Workpaper H provides that information.

VIII. U S WEST'S ALLOCATION OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND CONTRIBUTIONS ACCURATELY REFLECTS INTERSTATE END-USER REVENUES

In the <u>Designation Order</u>, the Commission requires each LEC to explain why its methodology for allocating universal service fund ("USF") contributions

⁵⁰ Access Reform Order, 7 Comm. Reg. (P&F) at 1257 ¶ 172.

accurately reflects the distribution of interstate end-user revenues across baskets.52

US WEST calculated factors to allocate the USF contributions to the appropriate baskets on the basis of relative size of end-user revenues in each basket. US WEST allocated USF contributions in the trunking basket and calculated the increase in the Service Band Index ("SBI") for the affected categories in the trunking basket based on the relative end-user interstate revenues in each service category.

US WEST did not rely on the end-user revenues reported in its Form 457 to determine price cap basket allocation factors. US WEST's initial Form 457, used by the Commission in its calculation of USF factors, was a preliminary view that will be trued-up and revised in the upcoming March 31, 1998 submission of annual data. In addition, on a going-forward basis, the Form 457 does not have the level of detail necessary to appropriately allocate USF within the trunking basket. Thus, US WEST believed it was more appropriate to develop an alternative methodology.

⁵¹ Designation Order ¶ 80.

⁵² <u>Id.</u> ¶ 95.

IX. CONCLUSION

For these reasons, the Commission should allow U S WEST's Access Reform Tariff Filing to take effect.

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BASELINE - 1996 ACCESS LINES

	(NON									
	PRIMARY	PRIMARY	TOTAL	1							}
	RESIDENCE	RESIDENCE	RESIDENCE	SLB	MLB	BRI-ISDN	PRI-ISDN	CENTREX	TOTAL MLB	LIFELINE	SURCHG
ARIZONA	1,482,366	181,057	1,663,423	42,619	448,868	2,760	680	164,982	617,290	10,112	
COLORADO	1,360,531	196,511	1,557,042	56,533	545,737	7,568	515	125,678	679,498	17,995	782
IDAHO	289,118	30,539	319,657	13,905	97,150	134	35	16,133	113,452	4,647	121
MONTANA	220,384	15,723	236,107	8,618	72,334	81	5	5,816	78,236	759	68
NEW MEXICO	466,328	41,436	507,764	40,722	155,049	36	185	23,291	178,561	34,730	365
UTAH	554,443	83,891	638,334	1,160	212,234	807	475	56,889	270,405	480	3
WYOMING	141,704	10,564	152,268	53,633	53,241	24	15	8,572	61,852	66,304	910
IOWA	697,421	45,727	743,148	18,952	130,518	262	205	115,272	246,257	27,178	175
MINNESOTA	1,263,244	125,084	1,388,328	21,445	498,546	20,981	620	199,380	719,527	23,844	250
NEBRASKA	332,295	29,683	361,978	26,041	102,162	3,322	110	29,159	134,753	1	186
NORTH DAKOTA	151,117	8,955	160,072	14,862	42,513	78	75	15,454	58,120	0	54
SOUTH DAKOTA	183,185	8,546	191,731	11,812	54,868	179	10	18,054	73,111	3,051	40
IDAHO PNB	19,536	944	20,480	12,657	6,783	0	0	19	6,802	6,049	43
OREGON	747,095	82,846	829,941	7,610	241,200	1,766	325	96,889	340,180	6,698	69
WASHINGTON	1,313,387	182,119	1,495,506	35,931	473,647	5,403	360	136,221	615,631	26,013	969
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{	9,222,154	1,043,625	10,265,779	366,500	3,134,850	43,401	3,615	1,011,809	4,193,675	227,861	4,903
TOTAL LINES W/O SURCH	15,053,815										
TRP Totals	110,665,848	12,523,500	123,189,348	4,398,000	37,618,200	520,812	43,380	12,141,708	50,324,100	2,734,332	58,836
TOTAL LINES W/O SURCH	180,645,780										

TEST LINES - 1997-1998 ACCESS LINES

·		NON									
	PRIMARY	PRIMARY	TOTAL	i						1)
	RESIDENCE	RESIDENCE	RESIDENCE	SLB	MLB	BRI-ISDN	PRI-ISDN	CENTREX	TOTAL MLB	LIFELINE	SURCHG
ARIZONA	1,607,457	245,934	1,853,391	51,851	410,673	3,535	1,340	186,446	601,994	10,867	799
COLORADO	1,425,587	266,926	1,692,513	57,712	542,997	8,659	1,330	116,948	669,934	18,067	741
IDAHO	297,163	41,482	338,645	10,227	100,647	1,601	110	16,285	118,643	4,625	120
MONTANA	234,385	21,357	255,742	7,629	82,169	125	20	6,147	88,461	5,958	30)
NEW MEXICO	513,710	56,284	569,994	16,087	160,478	3,150	190	22,817	186,635	27,825	128
UTAH)	627,901	113,951	741,852	26,422	243,235	2,690	695	60,142	306,762	23,808	245
WYOMING	142,528	14,349	156,877	6,022	60,666	100	35	9,046	69,847	825	69
IOWA	701,100	62,112	763,212	22,514	88,729	493	355	171,670	261,247	0	176
MINNESOTA	1,264,516	169,905	1,434,421	53,755	385,367	26,514	1,110	210,929	623,920	34,458	354
NEBRASKA	328,925	40,319	369,244	12,102	103,340	7,700	225	29,188	140,453	0	52
NORTH DAKOTA	166,877	12,164	179,041	5,230	44,992	210	185	15,361	60,748	7,275	64
SOUTH DAKOTA	175,380	11,608	186,988	6,644	56,858	270	15	19,902	77,045	2,717	15
IDAHO PNB	24,208	1,282	25,490	770	8,785	121	0	19	8,925	511	1
OREGON	801,670	112,532	914,202	31,087	242,817	691	930	116,550	360,988	26,525	950
WASHINGTON	1,436,785	247,377	1,684,162	49,356	410,018	7,007	1,025	154,815	572,865	69,442	1,093
Ĺ	9,748,192	1,417,582	11,165,774	357,408	2,941,771	62,866	7,565	1,136,265	4,148,467	232,903	4,837

TOTAL LINES W/O SURCH

15,904,552

Appendix B

	I. Line Coun	I. Line Count Data Formation								
	Sources	Data Collection	Time Period							
Primary Residential Lines	D3	S1	C2	T2 1/96-12/96						
Single Line Business	D3	S1	C2	T2 1/96-12/96						
Non-Primary Residential Lin	D3	S1	C2	T1 12/31/96						
BRI-ISDN Lines	D3	S1	C2	T1 12/31/96						
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II. Line (II. Line Count Data Indentification								
First	Second	Critera Third	Fourth						
L2	R4								
N5	L2	B1							
L2	Α0								
N5									

Single Line Business lines are identified by a unique USOC per a location and then by customer name to exclude multi-location customers that are classifed as multi-line business. Non-Primary Residential Lines are identified per residence location with a field indicator that identifies line type.

EXOGENOUS ADJUSTMENTS SINCE BEGINNING OF PRICE CAPS

Exogenous Adjustment	Date Transmittal No.	Purpose	Method of Calculation
OB&C	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Redo reallocation of OB&C expenses between price cap rate elements and nonregulated billing and collection rates	Revenue Requirement
Marketing Expense	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Reallocates marketing expenses to baskets and categories with rate elements purchased by and marketed to end users.	Revenue Requirement
Line Ports	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Move line port costs from local switching to common line rate elements.	Revenue Requirement
End Office Trunk Ports and Multiplexers	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Move recovery of the costs of end office trunk ports and multiplexers from local switching to a new Local Switching Trunk Ports Category in Traffic Sensitive basket	Revenue Requirement
STP Port Terminations	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moved to new STP Port Termination category in Traffic Sensitive basket from High Cap & DDS category of Trunking basket.	Revenues because it is an existing rate element with specific revenues associated.

EXOGENOUS ADJUSTMENTS SINCE BEGINNING OF PRICE CAPS

Exogenous Adjustment	Date Transmittal No.	Purpose	Method of Calculation
SS7 costs recovered in the TIC	1-1-98	Move to Local Switching	Revenue Requirement
	TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	category of the Traffic Sensitive basket.	
COE Maintenance Expense	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Reallocates recovery of costs based on specific type of COE investment being maintained; from Common Line & Trunking baskets to Traffic Sensitive basket.	Revenue Requirement
DEM Weighting	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from Traffic Sensitive and Common Line baskets to non price cap high cost support mechanisms (USF).	Revenue Requirement
General Support Facilities	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves GSF costs related to nonregulated billing and collection services out of regulated access rates.	Revenue Requirements
Tandem Shared Multiplexers	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from TIC to new rate elements in the Tandem Switched Transport category.	Used existing rate elements, calculated surrogate Revenue Requirement.
Dedicated Tandem Trunk Ports	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from TIC and Tandem Switching to new rate elements in the Tandem Switched Transport category.	Revenue Requirement

EXOGENOUS ADJUSTMENTS SINCE BEGINNING OF PRICE CAPS

Exogenous Adjustment	Date Transmittal No.	Purpose	Method of Calculation
Tandem Switching Revenues in TIC	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from TIC to Tandem Switching.	Revenue Requirement
Effect of Actual MOU/Trunk on Tandem Transmission Revenue	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from Tandem Switched Transport to TIC.	Revenues
Host/Remote Links	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from TIC to Tandem Switched Transport.	Revenue Requirement
Effect of Deaveraged Transport Rates	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moves recovery from TIC to appropriate Trunking basket subcategory zones.	Revenues
Universal Service Fund	1-1-98 TN #884, 885, 886, 887, 890	Moved from LTS recovery in Common Line Basket to USF recovery in Common Line, Trunking & Interexchange Baskets	Revenues
LIDB	7-1-97 TN #847	Moved LIDB query revenues from High Cap/DDS category of Trunking basket to Database category of Traffic Sensitive Basket	Revenues
OB&C	7-1-97 TN #847	Reallocate OB&C expenses between price cap rate elements and nonregulated billing and collection rates	Revenue Requirement

Exogenous Adjustment	Date	Purpose	Method of Calculation
,	Transmittal No.	· ·	
Regulated to Non-Regulated	In Annual Filing	Reallocation of investment from	Revenue Requirement
	since 1996	regulated to non-regulated use	
		based on forecasted regulated	
		and non-regulated usage	
Pay Telephone Set Deregulation	4-15-97	Moved recovery of pay	Revenues
	TN #823	telephone sets from regulated	
		to non-regulated recovery	
800 Database	11-26-96	Addition of Costs to Price Cap	Revenue Requirement
	Letter	Recovery; moved recovery	
	5-1-93	from Local Switching category	
	TN #335	to new Database category	
Inmate Pay Telephone	10-16-96	Moved recovery of inmate pay	Revenue Requirement reduced
·	TN #775	telephone CPE from regulated	for the reduction in PCI since
		to non-regulated recovery	Price Cap inception
General Support Facilities	7-2-93	Reallocated GSF costs from	Revenue Requirement
Reallocation	TN #369	Traffic Sensitive, Special	•
		Access & Interexchange	
		Baskets to Common Line	
		Basket	

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Cost Reallocations Based on Revenues

	Line Port Actual	Revenue	Trunk Port Actual	Revenue	Analog M UX Actual	R <i>e</i> venue	Tandem Trunk Port	Revenue	COE Maint.	Revenue
Common Line	111,443,000	145,001,003							(3,646,000)	(2,886,988)
Traffic Sensitive	(111,443,000)	(145,001,003)	29,117,000	37,884,786	14,468,000	13,325,545			15,158,000	20,099,201
Trunking					(14,468,000)	(13,325,545)	13,078,400	12,045,674	(11,514,000)	(10,604,805)
interexchange									1	1
	SS7 Actual	Revenue	Host Remote Actual	Revenue	Marketing Actual	Revenue			Other GSF Actual	Revenue
Common Line		Revenue		Revenue	-	Revenue (46,211,784)				Revenue (10,021,862)
Common Line Traffic Sensitive		Revenue 5,115,116		Revenue	Actual				Actual	
	Actual			Revenue (13,558,567)	Actual (58,361,226)	(46,211,784)			Actual (12,656,688)	(10,021,862)

Revenue versus Revenue Requirement

Revenue (1) Revenue Requirement Common Line 991,058,512 1,251,615,596 0.791823 Traffic Sensitive 459,473,114 346,515,942 1.325980 771,875,701 838,051,846 0.921036 Trunking 44,019,602 33,356,923 1.319654 Interexchange 2,266,426,929 2,469,540,308 0.917753 Total Memo Switching 416,730,220 320,285,135 1.301123

Note 1: Revenue based on SUM-1, Erratum to 1997 Annual Access Compliance Filing, Base Period Demand x Proposed Rates

Note 2: Revenue Requirement based on 1996 ARMIS 43-01

Total Excluding Intrabasket Changes, Marketing and Maintenance Expense

	Actual	Revenue	Net
Common Line	98,786,312	134,979,142	36,192,830
Traffic Sensitive	(94,531,396)	(130,684,209)	(36,152,813)
Trunking	(28,608,016)	(26,349,005)	2,259,011
Interexchange	(1,080)	(1,425)	(345)

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Calculation of SS7-STP Costs Added to TIC (Para. 61)

1	1996 STP Investment Includes Contracts and CCSAC	Access Reform WP 12, pg. 17	52,395,594
2	Interstate Revenue Requirement	Access Reform WP 12, pg. 16	6,741,746
3	3 % Interstate Revenue Requirement of Total	L2/L1	0.12867009
4	STP Investment Prior to January 1994 at Initialization of TIC	1992 Estimated Investment	39,748,251
Ę	5 % Interstate Revenue Requirement	L3xL4	5,114,411
6	Portion of Revenue Requirement in Original TIC	L 5 x 80%	4,091,529
7	7 Additions to TIC since inceptionJanuary 94 to Present**	L 2 x 80% less L 6	1,301,868

¹⁹⁹⁷ Additions are less than \$2,000

SS7 - STP Investment Col. C Signal Transfer Point Indirect Loading Col. A Col. B Workpaper 11, STP Page 18 & 19, Col. D = State STP Tandem Location Calculation **Ports** Investment Line 27 Col. B x Col C Dec. '97 Filing 693,010 1.106892 TCSNAZMA00W 767,087 Line 1 <u>AZ</u> 28 Line 2 CO DNVRCOMA19W Line 2 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 99 2,450,285 Line 3 CLSPCOMA00W Line 3 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 32 792,011 Line 4 Total 3,242,296 1.277807 4,143,029 Line 5 BOISIDMA00W Line 5 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 26 643,509 1.085011 698,215 ID S Line 6 MT **HLNAMTMA00W** Line 6 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 27 691,556 Line 7 MSSLMTMA00W Line 7 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 27 691,556 Total 1,383,113 Line 8 1.084910 1,500,553 37 line 9 <u>NM</u> ALBQNMMA00W Line 9 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 915,763 1.182450 1.082.844 Line 10 <u>UT</u> PROVUTMA00W Line 10 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 46 1,138,516 1.240043 1,411,809 Line 11 <u>wy</u> CHYNWYMA00W Line 11 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 24 614,717 CSPRWYMA00W Line 12 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 614.717 Line 12 24 Line 13 Total 1,229,433 1.122331 1,379,831 Line 14 <u>IA</u> **DESMIADTOOW** Line 14 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 39 965,264 Line 15 MSCYIATC00W Line 15 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 39 965,264 Line 16 CDRRIADT00W Line 16 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 25 640,330 Line 17 **DVNPIADT00W** Line 17 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 24 614,717 Line 18 **DVNPIAEA00W** Line 18 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 24 614,717 Line 19 SPNCIADT00W Line 19 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 29 742,783 Line 20 SXCYIADT00W Line 20 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 29 742,783 5.285.856 1.143737 6.045.628 Line 21 Total **DLTHMNME00W** Line 22 <u>MN</u> Line 22 Col. B x Line 41 Col. C 24 834.624 W00WONMITWO Line 23 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C Line 23 25 640,330 Line 24 WNDMMNW100W Line 24 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 25 640.330 Line 25 2,115,284 1.155213 2,443,604 Total Line 26 Line 26 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C <u>NE</u> OMAHNENW20W 108 2,673,038 1.393276 3 724 280 Line 27 <u>ND</u> FARGNDBC00W Line 27 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 35 866,262 GDFRNDBC00W Line 28 Line 28 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 35 866,262 Line 29 Total 1,732,525 1.112137 1,926,805 Line 30 RPCYSDCO00W Line 30 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C <u>SD</u> 22 563,490 Line 31 SXFLSDC000W 563,490 Line 31 Col. B x Line 42 Col. C 22 Line 32 Total 1,126,981 1.141534 1.286,487 PTLDOR1303W 70 Line 33 OR Line 33 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 1,732,525 Line 34 EUGNOR5300W Line 34 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 42 1,039,515 Line 35 Total 2,772,040 1.131502 3,136,569 Line 36 SPKNWA0100W 45 WA Line 36 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 1,113,766 Line 37 STTLWA0301W Line 37 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 156 3.861.055 Line 38 STTLWA0608W Line 38 Col. B x Line 43 Col. C 157 3,885,806 i ine 39 1.151331 Total 8.860.627 10,201,511 Line 40 Total 1345 33,811,991 39,748,251 1997 Additions 0.001486989 installed investment Col. C=Col. B/Col. A Col. A Col. B Investment Ports Cost Per Unit

834,624

922,075

1,188,017

34,776

25,613

24,750

Line 41

Line 42

Line 43

24 Port Unit

36 Port Unit

48 Port Unit

24

36

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Justification and Calculation of COE Maintenance Expense Adjustment

	Source/Calculation				Interstate	Common Line	Switching	Transport	Informatio	Special	IX
	Source, Calculation				a	b	С	d	е	f	9
1 Category 1	Account 2220 Operator	ARMIS 43-04, Row 1170			7,065		355	27	6,365	'	318
2 Orig. Dist.	b=Line 1b/1a, c=1c/1a, etc.	744,000 10 0 1, 1100 1170			1,000	0	0.050248			(0.045011
3 Category 2	Account 2210 Tandem	ARMIS 43-04, Row 1204			221,475	-	0.030240	221,475	0.50052	,	0.040011
4 Category 3	Account 2210 Switching	ARMIS 43-04, Row 1219			913,655	_	913,655	221,470	_		_
5 Orig. Dist.	Total Line 3 + Line 4	ARIMO 45-04, 10# 1215			1,135,130	-	913,655	221,475			_
6 Total	Line b=5b/5a, c=5c/5a, etc.				1, 155, 150	_	0.80489		-		-
7 Category 4	Account 2230 COE Circuit.	ARMIS 43-04. Row 1400			2.243.037	940,088	0,00405	505.849		797,102	_
8 Orig. Dist.	Line b= 7b/7a, c=7c/7a, etc.	ARMIS 45-04, ROW 1400			2,243,031	0.419114	- 0		- 0	0.355367	
9 1996 Total Maintena		ADMIC 43 04 Down 5036			100 000				196	23,531	10
9 1990 Fotal Maintena	ance Expense	ARMIS 43-04, Row 5026			100,028	27,876	27,002	21,414	196	23,531	10
Maintenance Expense	1998 Rulas										
mannenance expense	1000 (tales			Distribution	1						
10	Account 6210 COE Switching	ARMIS 43-03 Col I	219,967	0.635833							
11	Account 6220 Operator	ARMIS 43-03, Col. I	827	0.002391	, .						
12	Account 6230 COE Circuit	ARMIS 43-03, Col. I	125,157	0.361777	_						
12	Subtotal	ARIMIO 45-05, COI. 1	345,951	0.501777							
	Subiolai		345,951	1	100,026						
13	Account 6210 COE Switching	Col c=1 6 × 110 Col a					51,192	12,409	_		
14	-	'				_	12	12,409	215	-	11
15	Account 6220 Operator	Col. c=L 2 x L11, Col. a					- 12			40.000	11
	Account 6230 COE Circuit	Col. c=L 8 x L12, Col. a				15,167		8,161	- 245	12,860	- 44
16 Maint. Exp. Per Rev	rised Part 69 Rules	L 13 + L14 + L15				15,167	51,204	20,571	215	12,860	11
17 Diff Between Origin:	al and Revised Allocation	L 16 - L 9				(12,709)	24,202	(843)	19	(10,671)	1
_	ching Maintenance (.374486 of		Common Line)			9,063	(9,063)	(3 10)	,,,	(10,011)	•
19 Total Exogenous	Simily (Maintenance (:074400 or	L 17 + L 18	Common Enic)			(3,646)	15,139	(843)	19	(10,671)	1
19 Total Exogenous		L 17 · L 10				(3,040)	15,155	(043)	1.5	(10,071)	•
					Common Line		Traffic Sens	sitive	Trunking		Interexchange
20 Exogenous At Baske	t Level Based on ARMIS for 199	96			(3,646)		15, 158		(11,514)		1
21 Distribution to Eleme	ents					Revised		Original Fili	ina	Exogenou	s Change
21 Biddibation to Eleme	Common Line					(3,646)	`	(3,527)	n ig	(119)	•
	Switching					15,139		14,879		(110)	
	Information					19,139		14,013			
	Total Traffic Sensitive					15.158		14.879		279	
	Trunking					(11,514)		(11,684)		215	
	Haliking		6/30/97 Rate	Easter		(11,514)		(11,004)			
	Interconnection	•	\$506,396,252	0.530640		(6,110)		(11,684)		5,574	
	Tandem Switched	,	\$52.208.238	0.054708				(11,004)		(630)	
						(630)				` '	
	Voice Grade		\$39,160,603	0.041035		(472)				(472)	
	Audio/Video		\$2,422,612	0.002539		(29)				(29)	
	High Cap & DDS	,	\$354,124,104	0.371078		(4,273)				(4,273)	
	Wideband		\$0	0.000000		(0)				(0)	
	Signalling Interconnection		\$0	0.000000							
	Total Trunking	(\$954,311,809	1.000000		(11,514)		(11,684)		170	
	later web == ==							000		(22.4)	
	Interexchange					1		332		(331)	

** TANDEM TRANSMISSION RATES - MODIFIED METHOD **

COMPARISON OF TANDEM TRANSMISSION RATES DEVELOPED UNDER ORIGINAL AND MODIFIED METHOD

	Current Revenue Per 7/3/97 Rates Access Reform Tariff Filing.	Original Method Access Reform Tariff Filing.	Modified Method	Effect of Re-	Effect of Re-
	Workpaper Rate 7, Pg. 1, Col. (D)	Workpaper Rate 7, Pg. 1, Col. (E)	Exhibit A, Page 2, Col. (D)	on <i>Original</i> Method	on Modified Method
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)≈B-A	(E)=C-A
Tandem Transmission Rev Fixed & Mileage	\$32,141,881	\$14,274,293	\$25,759,715	(\$17,867,588)	(\$6,382,166)

Tandem Transmission MOU Rates Excluding the Effect of Host & Remote Cost Transfer	Access Reform Tariff Filing, Workpaper Rate 7, Pg. 1, Col. (A)	Access Reform Tariff Filing, Workpaper Rate 7, Pg. 1, Col. (B)	Exhibit A, Page 2, Col. (E)
<u>Fixed</u>			
Miles Over 0-8	\$0.000431	\$0.000100	\$0.000345
Miles Over 8-25	\$0.000480	\$0.000112	\$0.000385
Miles Over 25-50	\$0.000490	\$0.000121	\$0.000393
Miles Over 50	\$0.000551	\$0.000132	\$0.000442
Per Minute Per Mile			
Miles Over 0-8	\$0.000020	\$0.000010	\$0.000016
Miles Over 8-25	\$0.000021	\$0.000010	\$0.000017
Miles Over 25-50	\$0.000021	\$0.000011	\$0.000017
Miles Over 50	\$0.000022	\$0.000012	\$0.000018

** TANDEM TRANSMISSION RATES - MODIFIED METHOD **

REVISED TANDEM TRANSMISSION RATES EXCLUDING H&R COST TRANSFER FROM THE TIC

	Tandem Transmission Rates Effective 7/3/97	1996 Base Year Tandem Transmission MOU (Including H&R MOU)	Tandem Transmission Rev @ Current Rates	Tandem Transmission Rev. Net of Over-allocation (Note 1)	Revised Tandem Transmission Rates Excluding the Impact of H&R	Over- allocation Inherent in Current Tandem Transmission
	(A)	(B)	(C)≈A*B	(D)=C*RAF	(E)=D/B	(F)≈D-C
Fixed		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Miles Over 0-8	\$0.000431	3,747,994,740	\$1,615,386	\$1,294,631	\$0.000345	
Miles Over 8-25	\$0.000480	6,060,692,237	\$2,909,132	\$2,331,488	\$0.000385	
Miles Over 25-50	\$0.000490	3,457,165,472	\$1,694,011	\$1,357,644	\$0.000393	
Miles Over 50	\$0.000551	6,715,053,892	\$3,699,995	\$2,965,316	\$0.000442	
Total Fixed		19,980,906,341	\$9,918,524	\$7,949,079		
Per Minute Per Mile						
Miles Over 0-8	\$0.000020	19,050,524,158	\$381,010	\$305,356	\$0.000016	
Miles Over 8-25	\$0.000021	90,480,423,522		\$1,522,803		
Miles Over 25-50	\$0.000021	125,208,508,235	\$2,629,379	\$2,107,283		
Miles Over 50	\$0.000022	786,949,045,760	\$17,312,879	\$13,875,194	\$0.000018	
Total Per Mile	The second secon	1,021,688,501,675	\$22,223,357	\$17,810,636	No. 10. 10. 10.	
Total Fixed & Mileage			\$32,141,881	\$25,759,715		(\$6,382,166)

NOTE 1:
1. % Over-allocation to Tandem Transmission

2. Revenue Adj. Factor (RAF)

Source Exhibit A, Pg. 3, Column G

1.0 - Line 1

-19.86% 80.14%

**TANDEM TRANSMISSION RATES- MODIFIED METHOD **

% OVER-ALLOCATION OF TIC TO 1993 INITIAL LTR TANDEM TRANSMISSION REVENUES BASED ON 9,000 MINUTES

	1993 LTR Tandem Transmission MOU (LTR Filing Workpaper 8, Pg. 2)	MOU Per Trk. (Exhibit A, Pg.	Revised LTR Tandem Transmission Rates @ 11,353 MOU Per Trk. (Exhibit A, Pg. 5, Column (E))	Original LTR Tandem Transmission Rev.	Re-computed LTR Tandem Transmission Rev.	Over- allocation to Original Tandem Transmission Rev.	% Over- allocation
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)=A*B	(E)=A*C	(F)=E-D	(G)=F/D
Per Facility					<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Over 0-8 Miles	2,202,834,856	\$0.000250	\$0.000198	\$550,709	\$436,161	(\$114,548)	
Over 8-25 Miles	2,375,661,168	\$0.000278	\$0.000220	\$660,434	\$522,645	(\$137,789)	
Over 25-50 Miles	1,755,391,536	\$0.000284	\$0.000225	\$498,531	\$394,963	(\$103,568)	
Over 50 Miles	4,359,907,070	\$0.000320	\$0.000254	\$1,395,170	\$1,107,416	(\$287,754)	
MOU Total				\$3,104,844	\$2,461,185	(\$643,659)	
Per Mile Per Facility							
Over 0-8 Miles	11,084,462,025	\$0.000027	\$0.000021	\$299,280	\$232,774	(\$66,506)	
Over 8-25 Miles	35,597,887,215	\$0.000028	\$0.000022	\$996,741	\$783,154	(\$213,587)	
Over 25-50 Miles	67,278,211,455	\$0.000028	\$0.000022	\$1,883,790	\$1,480,121	(\$403,669)	
Over 50 Miles	511,644,528,038	\$0.000031	\$0.000025	\$15,860,980	\$12,791,113	(\$3,069,867)	
Mileage Total				\$19,040,791	\$15,287,162	(\$3,753,629)	
Total Fixed and Mileage Rev.				\$22,145,635	\$17,748,347	(\$4,397,288)	-19.86%

** TANDEM TRANSMISSION RATES - MODIFIED METHOD **

Revision to the LTR Initial Tandem Transmission Rates Based on Actual MOU of 11,353 Per Trunk

	LTR Initial DS3 DTT Monthly Rates (A)	LTR Initial DS1 DTT Monthly Rates (B)	DS3 MOU Rate Weighted by Fiber % (C) Note (2)	DS1 MOU Rate Weighted by Copper % (D) Note (3)	Weighted DS3 & DS1 Rates Per Access MOU (E)=C+D
Per Facility					
Over 0-8 Miles	\$862.70	\$87.22	\$0.000120	\$0.000078	\$0.000198
Over 8-25 Miles	\$862.70	\$112.21	\$0.000120	\$0.000100	\$0.000220
Over 25-50 Miles	\$862.70	\$117.60	\$0.000120	\$0.000105	\$0.000225
Over 50 Miles	\$970.54	\$137.20	\$0.000131	\$0.000123	\$0.000254
Per Mile Per Facility					
Over 0-8 Miles	\$92.74	\$13.43	\$0.000009	\$0.000012	\$0.000021
Over 8-25 Miles	\$92.74	\$14.31	\$0.000009	\$0.000013	\$0.000022
Over 25-50 Miles	\$94.90	\$14.31	\$0.000009	\$0.000013	\$0.000022
Over 50 Miles	\$107.84	\$15.13	\$0.000011	\$0.000014	\$0.000025
DS3/DS1 Multiplexer	\$350.00				

	MOU per DS3	MOU per DS1
Actual MOU Per VG Trunk	11,353	11,353
Equivalent VG Trunks Per Facility	672	24
Total MOU Per Month Per Facility	7,629,216	272,472

DS3 & DS1 Weighting % Based on Fiber & Copper Links

	<u>Fiber</u>	Copper
ARMIS Report #4307	Line 0363	Line 0361
Digital Carrier Links	305,459	98,211
Proportion of Total	75.67%	24.33%

Note (1): Re-using the equation and input values (except for 9,000 minutes) of Workpaper 4, LTR D&J, 1993.

Note (2): [(DS3 Wtgd. Monthly Rate+ DS3/DS1 Mux Rate) x Fiber %] /MOU per DS3

Note (3): (DS1 Monthly Rate x Copper %) /MOU per DS1